



Attorney Docket No.: 043601/0110

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY (Sole Inventor)

As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I believe I am the original, first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention or design entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONDUCTING ASSAYS the specification of which:

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is attached hereto; or
was filed in the United States on April 8, 1999 as Application Serial No. 09/284,421.

that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate designated below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application to which priority is claimed:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Date Filed</u>	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
9620934.1	UNITED KINGDOM	08/10/96	Yes

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 199(e) of any United States provisional applications(s) listed below:

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION)
CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b))
SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN**

I hereby declare that I am

the owner of the small business concern identified below:
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN MOLECULAR DRIVES LIMITED

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2 THE SQUARE, GLASGOW G12 8QQ, UNITED KINGDOM

I hereby declare that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CONDUCTING ASSAYS by inventor(s) JOHN FRANCIS GORDON described in

the specification filed herewith
 application Serial No. 09/284,421, filed April 8, 1999.
 Patent No. _____, issued _____.

If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e). *NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b)).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements and the like were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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TITLE OF PERSON OTHER THAN OWNER DIRECTOR.

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